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<input type="checkbox"/> FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM						\$270	\$0.00
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Appl. No. 09/214,723


- ☒ Petition for two (2) month(s) extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). \$390.00 for the extension of time.
- ☐ No fee is required.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$390.00 is enclosed.
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Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Takanori OKA
APPLICATION NO.: 09/214,723 GROUP: 1655
FILED: January 11, 1999 EXAMINER: B. Sisson
FOR: NUCLEIC ACID ASSAY PROCESS AND ASSAY KIT

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

February 12, 2001

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Office Action dated September 12, 2000, the due date for reply being extended two (2) months to February 12, 2001 by petition herein, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please insert the sequence listing enclosed herewith immediately after the abstract.